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News worth sharing.

Paint it forward

Local student painting company helps out two non-profit groups in London

They provide food for the body and soul — and now they're about to get a facelift thanks to a cadre of student painters.

Starting Thursday and continuing Friday, 25 painters from Scholars at Your Service will gussy up the interior of First St. Andrew's United Church on Queen Street as well as the exterior of the soup kitchen and Meals on Wheels building located next door.

Cheryl Leung, franchise manager for the local student painter company that recently started up here, said it not only helps out two worthy organizations but it provides training for the painters themselves.

"We look for organizations who really need it," Leung said.

"The soup kitchen and Meals on Wheels help a lot of people who are less fortunate, and the exterior needs a lot of work," Leung said. "Given that (they) are heavily involved in the community, we wanted to help them out by providing this charity work for them."

Leung said the work they're donating is worth about $14,000.

Scholars at Your Service is a student-owned and operated company that hires students and young people for summer work. There are four local managers in London.

Stroke of genius

- Scholars at Your Service is donating $100,000 worth of charity work in five cities across Canada: Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City and London.
- More than 300 university students are employed as managers and student painters
- scholarsatyourservice.com

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▶ Chad Hoffmann, 18, carefully primes an outside trellis at the Meals on Wheels and soup kitchen building on Queen Street on Thursday. An employee of Scholars at Your Service, a student painting company, Hoffmann, along with 24 other painters, will be repainting the outside of the soup kitchen as well as the interior of First St. Andrew's United Church next door as part of a charity project.

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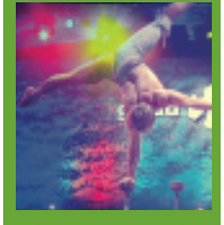

Cirque du Soleil founder Guy Laliberte says Michael Jackson was a fan, and they will honour him with a new show. Video at metronews.ca

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Farm to dinner plate via chef

Farmers' market kicks off Saturday ◐ Runs until Christmas

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The farmers' market at Covent Garden Market is spicing it up this year with the addition of a local chef.

Farmers' market manager Christine Scheer says a local chef will be out on the square every Thursday and Saturday, cooking up different dishes and providing recipes.

The idea sparked from talking to market patrons and hearing what they liked.

"People love sampling, they love getting recipes," said Scheer. "Sometimes, there's an unusual ingredient like Jerusalem artichokes, and they stand there and go, 'What can I do with this?' They don't know, but they want to try it."

Scheer says people are getting more curious about fresh local produce. Twelve years ago, it was harder getting people out to the farmers' market, but with the buy-local movement, the public became more engaged.

"A lot of people don't take their food for granted anymore. They think we are so lucky that we have local farmers and we have a sustainable food system," said Scheer. "But we have to support it or it won't be there for us."

Scheer said the farmers' market "cuts the middleman out" and brings the producer and consumer together.

"You're coming for a variety of reasons: for the fresh local food, entertainment and the whole experience," Scheer said. "Take your time … come and enjoy it."

Hours

- The farmers' market at Covent Garden Market is open Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cheers! Fundraiser

▶ Kevin Ross, left, and Tod Warner, co-chairman of the London Health Sciences Centre Foundation, clink their glasses with master sommelier John Szabo, right, as they sample some Cristal 2002 champagne at a pre-tasting party Thursday evening, ahead of Tastings, a food and wine fundraiser at the London Hunt and Country Club.

KYLE REA/METRO

Connoisseurs congregate for cancer

Approximately 400 people were expected at the London Hunt and Country Club to attend Tastings. Event organizers hope to raise between $130,000 to $150,000 for head and neck cancer research.

Police charge driver of modified SUV

Police dealt with a strange standoff Wednesday night in Wortley Village involving an armoured vehicle.

The incident started just before 10 p.m., when the vehicle cut off OPP marked cruisers on Craig Street at Ridout.

"From there, things didn't go so well," said Staff Sgt. Lynn Sutherland of London police. "The driver wouldn't engage with police, wouldn't roll down his window, wouldn't respond to requests."

Police say the man was acting irrationally and "appeared to be under the influence of narcotics." The SUV had been reinforced with tinted windows and armour, which also drew suspicion from police.

The emergency response and canine units were called in, but it was a Toronto-based lawyer who eventually got the man to exit the vehicle, after about four hours.

"It was a tricked-out vehicle, where someone … had gone to extra measures to make it inaccessible."
STAFF SGT. LYNN SUTHERLAND

Michael Flor, 25, of London, is charged with one count of failing to submit to drug evaluation and obstructing police. Police say they've had dealings with Flor in the past, but did not provide any specifics.

Police have seized the SUV.

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News in brief

Waiting is the hardest art

EDUCATION. It appears the art of patience will be required of those eyeing Fanshawe College's new arts campus.

Officials say it likely won't open until 2013.

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MARINA BRKLJACA/FOR METRO

▶ Cleveland Brownlee, left, and Jordi Amargos share some laughs at Labatt Park recently. The two aren't just teammates, they are also roommates. The London Majors stay at Elgin Hall, a residence at the University of Western Ontario, during their season.

Ready to hit it out of the park

London's first game of the season, scheduled for Sunday in Kitchener, has been cancelled

The Majors will take on Burlington in home opener

On Sunday, May 15, the popcorn will be popping and the hot dogs will be turning at Labatt Park for the London Majors home opener.

Roop Chanderdat, co-owner, general manager and field manager of the London Majors Baseball Club, said the Majors home games are a great place to be, even if you're not a hard-core baseball fan.

"It's a place where fans are interactive with the game," he said. "We involve kids in the game … and after the games we stay on the field to sign autographs," said Chanderdat.

Chanderdat said the London Majors are a "community team."

"We want to build a strong rapport with our community and the best way to do that is to get out there and actually do stuff with the community," said Chanderdat.

Cleveland Brownlee, left-fielder for the London Majors, said it's important to support the community.

"It's a way of giving back to the kids that look up to us in London," said Brownlee.

Brownlee is also excited for the new team. "I think (London) can expect a stronger team than last year — a younger team, but I believe stronger," he said.

One of those new players is a former pitcher in the Tampa Bay Rays organization, Jordi Amargos.

MARINA BRKLJACA

Baseball begins

The home opener is scheduled for Sunday, May 15 at 1 p.m.

▶ **For ticket information,** go to londonmajors.com

Tories attack Liberals over 'phoney' promises

A "secret deal" that will grant a three per cent pay hike to 33,700 Ontario civil servants after the fall election had the governing Liberals on the defensive Thursday, as critics accused them of making "phoney" promises to freeze public sector wages.

The Progressive Conservatives tag-teamed acting premier Dwight Duncan in the legislature over the deal, which was signed in late 2008 as the province was heading into years of multibillion-dollar deficits.

They demanded that Duncan, who was sitting in for an absent Premier Dalton McGuinty, come clean about any other "secret deals" the government signed with other unions that kick in after the Oct. 6 election.

"Everything about this secret deal to hand out a secret pay increase shows that Premier McGuinty will do anything to stay in power," said Tory critic John O'Toole.

"He sent you to do the dog-and-pony show and pretend wage restraints were coming, but he knew all along there was a secret deal to top up the salaries of 38,000 OPSEU employees by an extra one per cent that kicks in after the election." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ Finance Minister Dwight Duncan

'Secret deal'

The accord with the Ontario Public Service Employees Union was disclosed Wednesday during a labour relations board hearing.

1. It will grant an overall three per cent pay hike in 2012 to members of the province's largest public-sector union.
2. Government lawyers tried to keep the accord under wraps, but were compelled to disclose documents at the hearing which revealed an "adjustment" of one per cent on top of a scheduled two per cent increase in 2012 — after the provincial election.

Check out London's heritage

The London Heritage Council has announced the official site lineup for Doors Open London, which takes place Sept. 17 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fifty-five places located throughout London will open their doors, free of charge, for the public to explore. For the complete list of sites, visit metronews.ca/london.

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Truckers facing layoffs

There were 125 truck drivers in Lambeth who received layoff notices Thursday following a disagreement with company officials at Allied Systems and two automakers. Company officials hit a roadblock when General Motors and Chrysler would not agree to a 20 per cent hike in fees for Allied's services. AM980/AM980.CA

London Fire Services site gets update

London Fire Services launched a revamped website Friday (fire.london.ca) designed to make access to information easier and quicker. Among the new features: all forms and permits required by building owners and landlords, all bylaws and legislation, and all fees for services are available and easier to find. METRO

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Army deployed to help Quebec flood victims

Government can't fully compensate the 3,000 people who lost homes, premier says ◐ Waters continue to rise

With entire neighbourhoods half covered in water, Canadian soldiers were being deployed in southeastern Quebec Thursday to help flood victims.

Military vehicles rumbled into the hardest-hit areas, where soldiers placed sandbags to help stop the flooding.

Area residents, meanwhile, struggled to get around in canoes and all-terrain vehicles.

The military arrived one day after Quebec Premier Jean Charest asked for help from the Canadian Forces.

About 2,800 people have been forced from their homes, with aerial images showing rows of houses half submerged along the Richelieu River.

The flooding has affected 3,000 homes and one third of those residences have been evacuated. The area's Royal Military College has also been cleared.

A subdued Charest toured the flooded areas Thursday. He said the government would compensate people and municipalities for some of the damages. But he warned that the government couldn't pay for everything.

"It hurts me to say this today. But it's not true that we can compensate everything. It's impossible."

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Winter's fallout

Environment Canada explained that this year's heavy winter snowfall is responsible for the floods.

- **Melted** Snow in the U.S. Adirondacks melted into Lake Champlain — combined with this week's rain, a startling volume of water poured into the Richelieu River.
- **Unique** "This is a really unique phenomenon," said Rene Heroux, an Environment Canada meteorologist.

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▶ Soldiers from the 22nd Regiment, known as the "Van Doos," drive their light armoured vehicle through the flooded streets of Saint Blaise, Que., Thursday.

Premier blasts owner for oil spill

The owner of a broken pipeline that has gushed 4.5 million litres of crude oil in northern Alberta is taking heat from the province's Conservative premier and the leader of the federal Green party.

Premier Ed Stelmach says Plains Midstream Canada will not be allowed to reopen its aging Rainbow pipeline until the spilled oil is properly cleaned up, repairs are made and people in the nearby aboriginal community of Little Buffalo are assured the pipeline is safe.

"From what I can gather they could be doing a better job," Stelmach said of the company's efforts Thursday.

"We are going to hold their feet to the fire to make sure that they are there and they will have to pay all of the costs related to the cleanup of the spill."

As Stelmach faced questions in Edmonton about the largest Alberta pipeline spill in 36 years, Elizabeth May was in Ottawa calling for an immediate investigation and serious consequences for the company if it is found to have been negligent.

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Pipeline breach

Alberta's Energy Resources Conservation Board said 28,000 barrels of oil were spilled last week.

- A school in Little Buffalo has been closed since Friday.
- The First Nations community reports headaches, nausea and a strong petroleum odour.

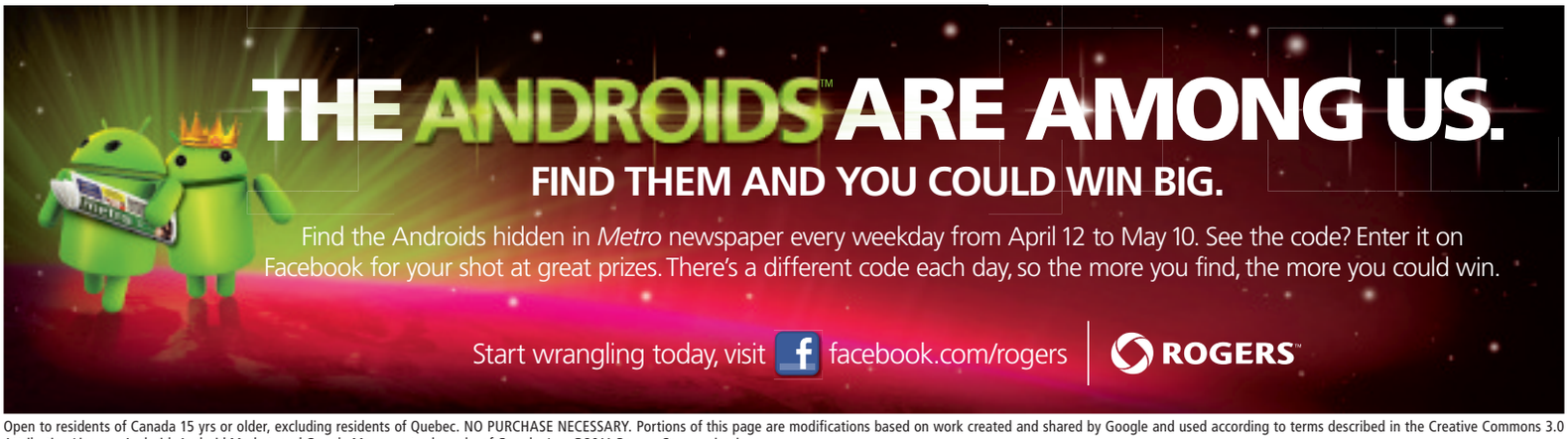
Prairies not flat in economic growth

A new report says Canada's prairie cities will enjoy the strongest economic growth this year, thanks to peak worldwide demand for commodities.

The Conference Board's spring outlook predicts Saskatoon will lead the country in growth with a 4.1 per cent advance, and will remain at or near the top for the next few years.

Following close behind are Calgary at 3.4 per cent and Regina and Edmonton with 3.1 per cent growth rates.

No other city among the 13 largest metropolitan areas analysed by the think-tank breaks through the three per cent barrier in growth. Toronto comes closest at 2.8 per cent, and Victoria trails at 1.7 per cent. THE CANADIAN PRESS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A pilgrimage to Ground Zero

‘We will never forget,’ says Obama, days after killing of bin Laden

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▶ U.S. President Barack Obama lays a wreath at Ground Zero on Thursday.

U.S. President Barack Obama on Thursday marked Osama bin Laden’s death where the terrorist inflicted his greatest damage — New York’s Ground Zero.

Obama laid a wreath there and declared: “When we say we will never forget, we mean what we say.”

The president closed his eyes and clasped his hands at the outdoor memorial where the twin towers of the World Trade Center once dominated the Manhattan skyline.

He shook hands with family members affected by the terrorist attacks and others dressed in black at the site where the skyscrapers were brought down by planes commandeered by bin Laden’s followers.

Nearly 3,000 people were killed in the twin attacks on New York and the Pentagon.

The president also visited firefighters and police officers whose response to the terror attacks turned them into heroes.

“I just want to thank him, hug him ... and shake his hand. Father to father. Thank you for doing this for me.”

JIM RICHES, WHOSE FIREFIGHTER SON WAS KILLED AT GROUND ZERO

“This is a symbolic site of the extraordinary sacrifice that was made on that terrible day,” Obama said at Engine 54, Ladder 4, Battalion 9.

The New York firehouse lost 15 firefighters on Sept. 11.

At the First Precinct police station in lower Manhattan, Obama said of those who died in the Sept. 11 attacks, “We keep them in our hearts. We haven’t forgotten.”

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Few shots fired: New details emerge on raid

Only one of the five people killed in the raid that got Osama bin Laden was armed and fired any shots, a senior U.S. defence official said Thursday.

The official agreed the new account differs greatly from original White House portrayals of a chaotic, intense and prolonged firefight.

The sole shooter in the al-Qaida leader’s Pakistani compound was quickly killed in the early minutes of the commando operation, the official said.

The Navy SEALs assault team then swept through the house and shot the others.

After the SEALs’ debriefing, he said, the raid should be described as a precision, floor-by-floor operation.

As the SEALs moved into bin Laden’s compound, they were fired on by bin Laden’s courier, Abu Ahmed al-Kuwaiti, who was killed.

The Americans were never fired on again.

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Lethal ’copter

- Aviation experts said a helicopter used in the assault appeared to be a stealthier, top-secret and never-before-seen version of a routinely used special-ops helicopter.
- The chopper made a hard landing and was destroyed by the military team at the site.

EX-PREZ STAYS AWAY

Bush wants to keep a low profile

George W. Bush’s decision not to appear at Ground Zero with Barack Obama after the death of Osama bin Laden is part of his desire to keep a low public profile, says former first lady Laura Bush.

Laura Bush said Thursday she and her husband were out to dinner Sunday night when they got word that Obama wanted to speak with him.

The former president went home to take the call informing him that U.S. military forces had killed Osama bin Laden in a raid in Pakistan.

Bush congratulated Obama, calling bin Laden’s death “a victory for America.”

George Bush was in power on Sept. 11, 2001, when bin Laden’s followers attacked in New York and Washington D.C.

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Ignatieff goes back to school in teacher post

Iggy joins U of T He returns to academia after leading Liberals to worst electoral showing in history

Michael Ignatieff is returning to his first love — academia — after losing his own seat in Monday's bloodbath.

He has been appointed as senior resident at the University of Toronto's Massey College.

He will be teaching at the university's faculty of law and the political science department, as well as at the Munk School of Global Affairs and the School of Public Policy and Governance.

Ignatieff is a graduate of the university and an internationally acclaimed academic and author.

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▶ Michael Ignatieff

He was lured into politics five years ago from a prestigious position at Harvard and has also taught at Oxford and Cambridge.

The college's senior resident position has traditionally been offered to leaders making the transition from politics.

The position has been held by former prime minister Pierre Trudeau, former Reform party leader Preston Manning and Bob Rae, now a Toronto Liberal MP.

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Contract. Heat

▶ More than 2,000 Saskatchewan teachers rallied at the legislature in Regina on Thursday. They are among about 12,000 teachers across the province who staged a one-day protest to back contract demands.

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Teachers take to streets

Teachers have been in negotiations for nearly a year and without a contract since the end of August. In April, they voted 95 per cent in favour of job action. The union is demanding a 12 per cent raise over one year.

NDP deputy explains Osama pic comments

The deputy leader of the NDP is backing away from comments he made about the existence of photos of Osama bin Laden's body.

On CBC TV on Wednesday, Thomas Mulcair questioned whether U.S. President Barack Obama actually had photos proving his account of the death of bin Laden.

Mulcair now acknowledges that he gave mixed messages about his assessment. He told CBC Radio in Montreal that he gave "meandering" remarks that probably stemmed from campaign fatigue.

He says he did not mean to question the existence of the photos but, rather, wants to know if the Obama administration has photos of bin Laden reaching for a weapon.

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Tories lose appeal over GST rebate

The federal Conservatives have lost another round in their legal fight with Elections Canada over campaign financing.

The Supreme Court refused Thursday to hear an appeal by the party over GST rebates on election expenses.

The case involves refunds political parties receive from Elections Canada for half of all their campaign expenses, on top of the rebates they receive from the Canada Revenue Agency for half of their GST payments.

The Tories maintained the system amounts to "double dipping" and went to court to argue that GST rebates should have been deducted from parties' campaign financial returns in 2004 and 2006. The party won an initial ruling but lost on appeal.

Had they won at the high court, the Tories would have had to repay almost $600,000 in election expense rebates.

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▶ Air Canada CEO Calin Rovinescu is convinced that a low-cost carrier is key to achieving long-term profitability. At its annual shareholders' meeting in Montreal yesterday, the airline reported first-quarter losses of $19 million, compared to $112 million a year ago.

Cost cuts to drive new carrier

Air Canada's discount airline could face headwinds with ongoing labour disputes and higher fuel prices

Air Canada will introduce a low-cost carrier only if it can sustainably reduce labour and other costs, CEO Calin Rovinescu said Thursday.

"We will not do it unless it has the ability to remain truly low cost over the long term. It needs to be able to avoid the type of cost creep that has plagued legacy carriers over the years," he said.

Canada's largest airline failed in its attempt to introduce discount carriers a decade ago. The proposed model would ramp up to 50 aircraft flying to sun and European destinations. It would create jobs for 462 pilots, three times as many flight attendants and some maintenance workers.

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Air Canada and its regional partners carry about 31 million passengers annually to more than 170 destinations on five continents.

Rovinescu said the new carrier can work by creating a fundamentally different cost structure to profitably operate in leisure markets and European destinations. Among the potential high-volume, low-yield destinations that could be served are Amsterdam, Dublin, Nice, Manchester, Lisbon, Casablanca and southern sun cities.

Approval from Air Canada's unions is a key step in proceeding. The airline has begun negotiations with all of its labour groups and is hopeful that new collective agreements can be reached without disputes.

A ratification vote by pilots gets underway on Monday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WEALTH WATCH

Welcome to Club Millionaire

The assets of wealthy Canadians will reach $6.77 trillion by 2020, a new study suggests, predicting there will be a lot more millionaires over the coming decade.

The study by the Deloitte Center for Financial Services predicts the number of millionaires in Canada will surge to more than 2.4 million by 2020, up by more than 32 per cent from the current 1.7 million. The rise is partly due to the strong economy, particularly in the resource sector.

Globally, wealth among millionaire households could more than double over the next decade in 25 major economies, growing from $92 trillion this year to $202 trillion in 2020.

Developed nations are expected to remain the centres of global wealth, with 43 per cent held by millionaires in the U.S. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market moment

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FRESH FACES SEAL PLACES IN POLITICS

THE METRO LIST

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This was the mother of all news weeks.

1 Kindergarten Kaukus: Among Jack Layton's newly elected MPs: 19-year-old Pierre-Luc Dusseault, the youngest MP in the history of the nation, who would not have been old enough to vote before 1970. He is joined in the House by Ruth Ellen Brosseau, 27, elected in a francophone riding even though she doesn't speak much French and spent a good part of the campaign in Vegas, baby. Thus begins the shortest political honeymoon ever.

2 Osama pictures: OK, is this guy really dead or what? Doubting Thomases of the world unite! Show us the pictures! This is probably just a stunt by that other Arab, Obama what's-his-name, to distract us from the real scandal: He was obviously born in Africa or is an alien or something.

"... it's time for PETA to round up a bunch of celebrities to bitch about the seal hunt. This year it's Iggy Pop ..."

3 Royal wedding: Kate and William cost the U.K. five billion to 10 billion pounds in lost productivity because of all those bewitched Brits. Of course, the $3.3 billion in royal tsotchkes almost made it a wash. If you're already sick of the whole thing, hold onto your stomach as the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge are going to Hollywood after they finish the tour of the provinces this summer. Can't wait.

4 The Naughty Bishop: Canada's creepiest cleric, his former eminence Raymond Lahey, confessed to a fatal attraction for young males, even though his church is opposed to homosexuality, pederasty, and various other mortal sins of that ilk. Lahey is so overcome by Catholic guilt he's eager to go to jail even before formal sentencing. Whatever his maxima culpa, you can bet he won't be declared a saint like John Paul II right after he dies. Or ever, for that matter.

5 The seal hunt: Along with the darling buds of May, it's that time of year when Newfoundlanders go out on the ice to prove their manhood by clubbing cute cuddly seals to death. And, just as inevitably, it's time for PETA to round up a bunch of celebrities to bitch about the seal hunt. This year it's Iggy Pop, who looks as if he's been clubbed to death, and Ke$ha (seals are, like, our friends), featured on posters that say: Canada's Club Scene Sucks!

Honourable mentions:

6 50th anniversary of the Freedom Riders: A little token dignity in a sea of nonsense.

7 Michael Ignatieff: It was all just a dream Zsuszanna. There's no place like Harvard.

8 Gilles Duceppe: Bloc Québécois leader will collect a pension of $140,765 from the Canadian people for the rest of his life. Merde.

9 Why are we in Libya?

10 Bieber watch: Australian teen arrested for throwing eggs at Justin Bieber. Because he missed?

metro life panel

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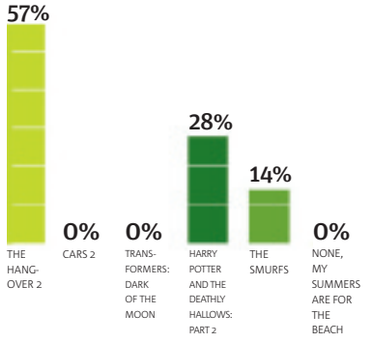
What summer movies are you most looking forward to?



Local tweets

- **@White Cabana:** Cherryhill has an antique sale until May 7th. Went yesterday. Especially great, great jewelry! #ldnont
- **@Aaerelon:** Sunny and 16C in London, Ontario today. That's a start to spring. Two weeks late, but a start nonetheless. #ldnont
- **@NehaC:** just used a #uwo parking ticket to kill a heinous spider. so gratifying.
- **@Evolving:** back to work, sure is quiet here in the library. #uwo #bored
- **@ShaunaRae67:** Beer on patio! Cinco de Mayo and sunshine seem like perfect reasons! :) #cincodemayo #ldnont
- **@TweetFourword:** Join us this weekend for the best parties in #ldnont and the summer launch of Footwork Friday's and Musiq Saturday's at JBR's !! #LDNevnt
- **@craighunteresq:** I'm currently looking for a job in #ldnont! Summer or full-time, let me know. Love of biz, technology, community, & politics! #uwo #fanshawe
- **@edjackman:** Wow! #ldnont has a Horseshoe Club?!? My Friday nights will never be the same! ;)

Worth mentioning

TORONTO. A research team at Queen's University has entered the race to slim down tablets and smartphones with a plastic, flexible prototype that's just about paper thin.

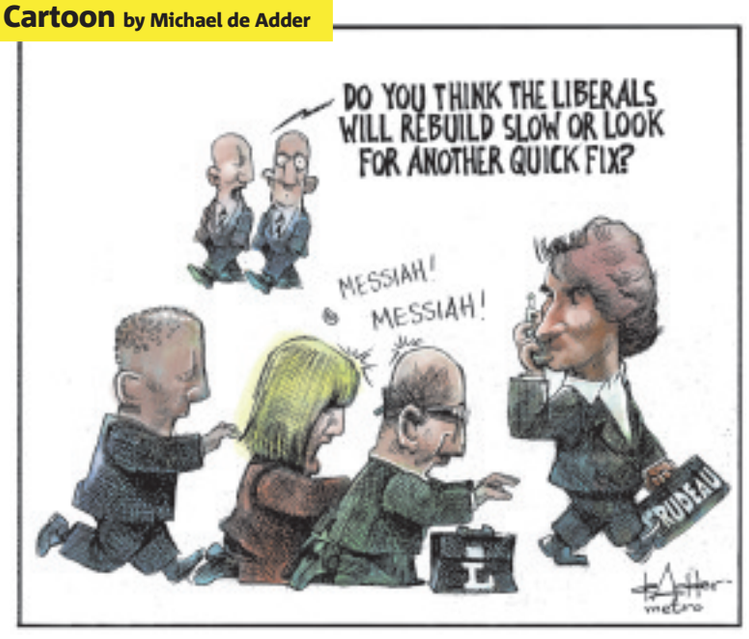
The school's Human Media Lab has unveiled a type of e-paper technology nicknamed the PaperPhone, which is described as a bendable iPhone.

The device measures 9.5 centimetres diagonally and its electronics are housed in a thin, flexible film that can be rolled up. It has a greyscale E Ink screen and has a few applications that can make phone calls, play music, read e-books and maps.

Rather than using buttons or touchscreen controls, the plastic device responds to different bends. Commands are triggered by bending the corners of the device, or rolling the right edge backward or forward.

While creator Roel Vertegaal admits the technology would likely need at least five to 10 years to go mass market in a sophisticated way, he boldly claims the research team is onto a game-changing technology. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Cartoon by Michael de Adder



WEIRD NEWS

Wonder what his wandering will accomplish

A social media enthusiast has won the title of "Saskatchewanderer," a post with the provincial government that his bosses dubbed "the best summer job ever."

Andrew Konoff, 21, will be paid to spend the summer travelling and blogging, tweeting, Facebooking and YouTubing about everything that makes Saskatchewan special.

The tourism department came up with the idea to hold a competition to hire a post-secondary student for the job by posting short videos by the applicants online and then letting the public cast their votes.

The University of Regina student, event planner and stage actor started out with a clever video describing his passion for travel and his previous adventures on the Mongol Rally, a car race from England to Mongolia.

He boasted of his love for Saskatchewan, "which includes my love of the Riders and crappy roads."

Tourism Minister Bill Hutchinson said Konoff has already created a buzz about the job and he believes the people of Saskatchewan will find his work interesting and informative. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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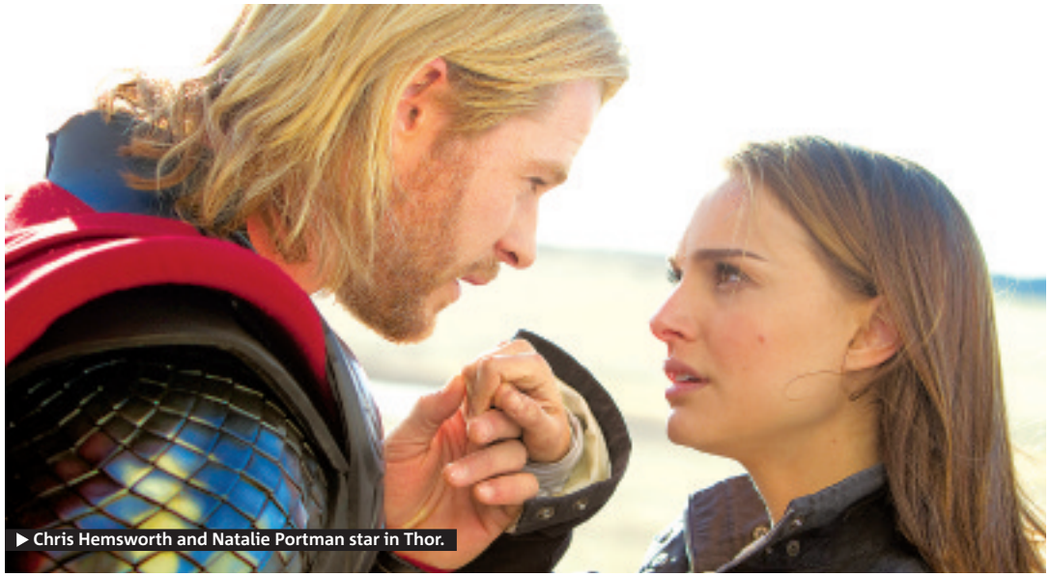
Plot synopsis

- Based on the Marvel comic book, the action in Thor really begins with our hero about to be named king by his father (Anthony Hopkins). Seconds before daddy says the words, "You are king," Frost Giants from an enemy realm interrupt the ceremony. Furious that his big day has been marred, Thor (Chris Hemsworth) disobeys his father and skips realms to confront the invaders. His punishment for his reckless, arrogant behaviour is banishment to Earth and the arms of meteorologist Jane Foster (Natalie Portman).
- **Ratings:**
  Richard: ⊕⊕⊕
  Mark: ⊕⊕⊕



▶ Chris Hemsworth and Natalie Portman star in Thor.

Thor brings the fun

Richard Crouse and Mark Breslin debate the merits of Thor ◗ It's cheesy fun and the humour shines through, even if the love story falls a little flat

Reel Guys

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Richard Crouse: Mark, it's hammer time! Thor, the ball peen superhero, is big, loud cheesy fun. It feels a bit like an amuse bouche to the all-superhero-all-the-time Avengers movie coming next year, but as an origin movie it gets the job done. Unlike its star, the incredibly buff Chris Hemsworth, the movie is a bit soft in the middle. It starts off well, slows to a crawl midway, but as soon as Thor Gets His Groove back … er … Gets His Hammer Back, the movie gets back on track. What did you think?

Mark Breslin: Well, it did feel long to me. In fact, my ath ith thtill a bit thor. But I liked the way it moved back and forth between the worlds of Earth and Thor's home planet. It almost felt like two different movies were going on, but just almost. At first I couldn't believe that Kenneth Branagh would direct a comic book movie, but the film does have a Shakespearean feel at times. What say you, Richard?

RC: It's a greatest hits of Willy's themes — love, deception, death and daddy issues, and Anthony Hopkins classes up the joint a little bit, although the way he chews the scenery it's like he hasn't eaten in a month but I wish it didn't sag in the middle. The Natalie Portman love story is the weakest thing about the movie.

MB: And Portman is the weakest link in the film, period. But what about the lead, Chris Hemsworth? I thought he was very good in a ludicrous role, and the twinkle in his eye and swagger in his step really made the part bearable, as did his spectacular pecs.

RC: Couldn't agree more about Portman. She's miscast. Kat Dennings, in a throwaway role that she turns into a charismatic supporting part, would have been a better and more interesting lead. As for Hemsworth, initially I didn't know if he was going to cut it with his oh-so-serious line delivery, but later, his realization that as "the Mighty Thor" has lost some of his powers is fun. The movie is actually a lot funnier than I thought it would be.

MB: Intentionally funny, I might add, which is unusual for this kind of movie. I liked the visuals on Planet Whatever. They were rich and deep, which is more than I can say for the now-mandatory 3-D, which I found tepid. But not the noise level! Talk about Hammer time! I'm just getting my hearing back now.

2 scene

Gaga contest

Congratulations to Lyle Reimer, our Canadian finalist in Metro's global Lady Gaga editorial assistant contest.

Lyle, who lives in Richmond, B.C., with partner Raymond Boutet, wowed us with his strength, courage and wonderful sense of self — not to mention fabulous sense of humour.

Be sure to pick up Metro May 17 — remember, Lady Gaga is our international Guest Editor — to read Lyle's winning entry and find out who was named Gaga's assistant for a day.

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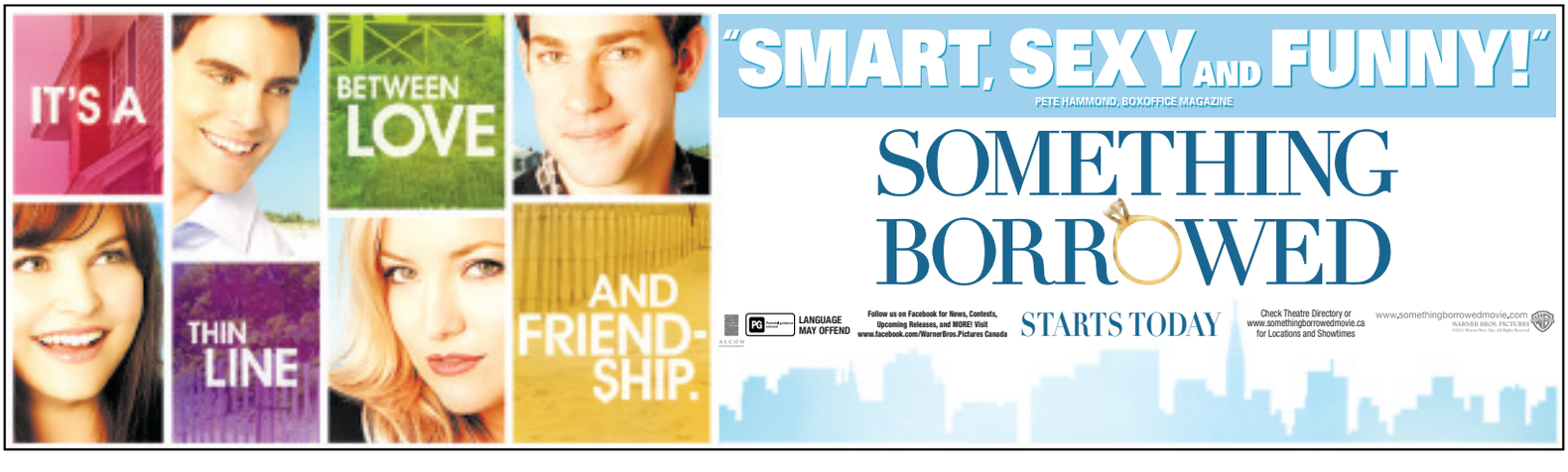

Feig mines optimism for laughs

Bridesmaids director got to work with the funniest females around ◆ Hopes movie opens doors for women

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Paul Feig is probably best described as a master of cringe comedy. As the co-creator of the beloved high school humiliation comedy Freaks And Geeks as well as the director of TV shows like The Office and films like the upcoming Bridesmaids, Feig has displayed a knack for mining laughs out of awkward behaviour.

When asked why he has such an affinity for this style of comedy, Feig told Metro, "I'm an eternal optimist and when you're an optimist you're always opening yourself up for humiliation and failure because it's very seldom that things turn out better than you expect. It's inevitably worse and I always found that funny and relatable."

Feig's latest directorial outing Bridesmaids (opening next week) fits comfortably into this mould. The film stars Saturday Night Live veteran Kristen Wiig — who also co-wrote the movie — as a struggling woman with a failed business, a mountain of debt, and a stunted love life who finds herself going through a series of embarrassing misadventures while helping a lifelong friend prepare for her wedding. It's a situation designed to provoke fits of laughter through nauseating discomfort and also fulfilled Feig's longstanding desire to create strong comedic roles for women.

"I've always had this sick feeling in my stomach over women getting such crappy roles, especially in comedies where they always tend to become shrewish," explained the director. "To this day, so many talented people I know in this business are women who are hilarious but can't get that big break because the roles just aren't there.

"I thought it would be nice to change the tide with this movie a little bit. But that also brought a lot of pressure on me because it's like, 'Oh God, if I screw this up or it doesn't do well, it's going to make it even harder for women to get their own projects.'"

Based on laugh count alone the director definitely succeeded and now we'll see if audiences will be willing to open their hearts and wallets to see his cast of lovely ladies behaving badly.

Feig's resumé

Paul Feig might not the biggest name in comedy but he's been involved with some of the best TV comedies around. Here is a partial list of show's he has worked on.

- The Office, Nurse Jackie, Bored to Death, Parks and Recreation, Weeds, 30 Rock, Arrested Development, Undeclared, Freaks and Geeks.

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Something Borrowed
Genre: Romantic Comedy
Director: Luke Greenfield
Stars: Kate Hudson, Ginnifer Goodwin, Colin Egglesfield
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This somewhat aggravating romance wades through murky waters of love triangles, deceit, betrayal and ill will. It's impossible to buy Kate Hudson's Darcy, a motor-mouthed shrew as the intended bride of a reserved Dex (Egglesfield), who is really in love with Rachel (Goodwin). There are a few laughs despite everyone's failure to see what's in front of them.

ANNE BRODIE

Priest taps into western genre

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The American western long ago dug its dusty claws into virtually every genre of film known to man, but it's with horror and science fiction that the mark remains most resonant.

Director Scott Stewart's new 3-D horror action yarn Priest however, makes little effort to hide its inspiration, wearing its Stetson tipped heart on its sleeve. The film sees actor Paul Bettany playing the titular man of the cloth who breaks his vows of peace to rescue his niece from the fangs of the hordes of vampires that ravage the Earth, all the while running afoul of a corrupt church (led by Christopher Plummer).

"(Priest) has familiar ingredients but a new recipe," says Stewart. "It has all these iconic elements. Motorcycles replace horses and the look of the film is a mix of the 1890's period film and a post-apocalyptic world."

Stewart's background is in special effects, having worked extensively with his own company and with Industrial Light & Magic creating some of the screen's grandest illusions. It's this ability to understand the aesthetics and mechanics of special effects that made him the perfect choice for such a visual picture.

"Because of my FX work I can visualize ideas myself," Stewart said. "I can show people what I want the vampires and cities to look like. That was one of the ways we got the studio on board for how I wanted the film to be."

▶ Paul Bettany stars in Priest, which opens in theatres next Friday.

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▶ Vin Diesel and the Rock star in Fast Five, which opened across Canada last week.

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▶ Anvil

Whilst listening to the BBC in the winter of 2009, a movie reviewer said, "The Story of Anvil is very good, but I couldn't tell if I was being put on. Is this a real band or is it some kind of Spinal Tap joke?"

I immediately sent an email. "They're real. Trust me." A few minutes later, the reviewer returned. "I've just received an email from a chap in Canada who assures us that Anvil and their story are very real. Okay, if you say so."

Since then, guitarist/singer Steve "Lips" Kudlow, drummer Robb Reiner — in their 50s — and bass player Glenn Five (the baby) have barely had time to breathe. Gigs opening for AC/DC; the Tonight Show; a cameo in The Green Hornet; shows from South America to Japan; a book based on the movie with a foreward by Slash. And along the way, a few surreal moments.

"When (the documentary) won at the Independent Spirit Awards, I saw Paul McCartney across the room," Lips says, "and I thought 'This is my chance! I'm going to meet a Beatle!' But then Quentin Tarantino blocked me. 'You got ripped off at the Oscars! YOU should have won (for best documentary)! But they gave it to a dolphin movie! A DOLPHIN MOVIE!'"

The Foo Fighters' Dave Grohl is a fan. "He pulled up in a limo and got out with a guitar case and I thought 'Great! He's going to want to jam with us!' But then he said 'This guitar is for you because I'm such a big fan.'"

Grohl invited Anvil to make their next album at his private 606 Studios. All of Reiner's drum tracks from their new album, Juggernaut of Justice, (out Tuesday) were recorded there.

If you're into Anvil and their kind of metal, I can honestly say that this album is the best thing they've done since the early '80s.

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▶ Singer Janelle Monae performs at the 53rd annual Grammy Awards in Los Angeles.

Rockin' a tux every day

Janelle Monae hits the road again with Bruno Mars

Like most artists, Janelle Monae prepares for a live show with a list she follows, including exercising and vocal warm-ups.

Unlike most artists, Monae says her list also includes the routine of putting her hair in dirt, washing and conditioning it — and repeating the cycle. She also says that she eats "Asian cuisine with the bus driver."

It's hard to tell if she is joking, but if you know of Monae — or her music — it wouldn't be that surprising. The singer is not your typical artist: She's always seen in a tuxedo and rocks a pompadour. Her music is a blend of alternative, R&B and funk sounds and some of her songs are inspired by things like Muhammad Ali's fists, Walt Disney and Star Wars.

The singer's first full-length CD, the melodramatic 18-track epic The ArchAndroid, follows a female android who discovers she is the chosen one and is trying to adapt to her new superpowers. The disc earned her two Grammy nominations and was a critical success. The Associated Press named it the No. 1 album of 2010.

Since its release, Monae has toured with Prince and Amy Winehouse. She'll open for Katy Perry in September and her co-headlining tour with rising star Bruno Mars kicks off Wednesday in New York.

The 25-year-old Monae says because of her musical style, she's able to go on the road with, pretty much, any musician.

"I can go anywhere that I want," Monae told the AP in a phone interview last week. "I could hang with (Vogue magazine editor-at-large) Andre Leon Talley, Karl Lagerfeld ... Big Boi (of OutKast), do shows with Prince, Stevie Wonder. I mean that's pretty much my life. I'm not boxed in to any one thing."

The performer said she spent 80 per cent of the last year on tour, but insists she's found some downtime to record new music.

"I'm very inspired right now," she said. "This (new) album will definitely change lives."

Monae and Mars are labelmates. They performed a medley together at this year's Grammy Awards, along with rapper B.o.B. Monae says she's excited to share her music with Mars' fans, and says they can expect surprises and more onstage. "Our shows are very high energy and you don't see that a lot," she said. "I would love to see it more — you know when you have the artist crowd surfing and giving their all. And there are a lot of great shows out, but what we're doing is not being done."

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A not-so-Desperate TV partnership

Desperate Housewives stars say their characters' relationship is mirrored off-screen

Marriage can be a hard job. This Tom and Lynette Scavo have reminded us for seven years as husband and wife on Desperate Housewives.

On the other hand, marriage can be a great gig. That's what it's been for Doug Savant and Felicity Huffman, who are wed in holy matrimony as the Scavos on the ABC hit.

"It's a good marriage," states Huffman. "It's got its ups and downs, but it keeps moving forward."

She plays the former ad exec and frustrated stay-at-home mom, the most grounded member of the core sisterhood played also by Marcia Cross, Teri Hatcher and Eva Longoria. He was the laid-back, often perfunctory breadwinner.

Their marriage has weathered many challenges in the show. Now, as Housewives (airing Sunday at 9 p.m. EDT) builds to its season finale on May 15, Tom has bloomed into a big-shot businessman who thinks Lynette is threatened by his success.

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▶ Doug Savant and Felicity Huffman

TV picks

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▶ Tina Fey

Returning to her roots

COMEDY. Tina Fey is back on the show that made her famous. She hosts Saturday Night Live this week, the third time she's had the honour. The musical guest is U.K. singer-songwriter Ellie Goulding. (Saturday, Global)

The original Blues Brothers

MUSIC DOC. Dan Aykroyd narrates a documentary about the Toronto-formed Downchild Blues Band, who he credits with inspiring the Blues Brothers. Flip, Flop, and Fly, 40 Years of the Downchild Blues Band covers the history of the Juno Award-winning band. (Friday, HBO Canada)

Gaga at the Garden

CONCERT. Lady Gaga has her first made-for-TV concert debuting tonight after a two-night stint in New York in February. Lady Gaga Presents the Monster Ball Tour: At Madison Square Garden is a two-hour show combining the highlights of the sold out concerts, including all her hits. (Saturday, HBO CanadaL

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Talking points

This book is not for Bullock

EX-HUSBAND. Friends of Sandra Bullock say the Oscar-winning actress won't be reading ex-husband Jesse James' new tell-all book, American Outlaw, according to Popeater.

"He has got nerve going on TV and moaning that he has spent the last five years worrying only about Sandra when we all know the only person Jesse ever thinks about is himself," the source says.

"He's learned nothing. He says that he has forgiven himself and moved on, but obviously doesn't give a damn about others forgiving him. If he did he wouldn't be reliving this ugly time again to sell a book." METRO

Rough patch for Leo and Bar

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▶ Leonardo DiCaprio

Rumours abound about possible breakup

Leonardo DiCaprio and Bar Refaeli's separate social lives are once again fueling breakup rumours.

According to Page Six, the couple is "going through a difficult patch," but are committed to working through their problems.

Earlier this week, DiCaprio chose to hang out with friends at the Standard hotel in New York in lieu of accompanying Refaeli to the Met Costume Institute gala. METRO

Celebrity tweets

@kathygriffin

Had therapy today, which is weird 'cause everybody ELSE is crazy. Um, er, right u guys??? Don't leave a sista hangin

@IMKristenBell

if u cannot manage to get the paper napkin in the garbage can, u do not deserve to use the indoor restroom.

@rustyrockets

I just broke my Royal Wedding mug, is this an omen? (I broke it by throwing it out the window)

@ConanOBrien

I had the most normal dream last night. It was just me waiting in line at the bank for a reasonable amount of time.

No wedding stress for Bell

Just because Kristen Bell and Dax Shepard are engaged doesn't mean they're busying themselves with planning the big day.

"We're just not having a wedding," she tells Us Weekly. "I mean, we're still getting married, but we're going to do it whenever we feel like it." In fact, Bell is still busy celebrating their February 2010 engagement. "The fact that he asked me to marry him is of a little more importance than me planning a party," she says. METRO

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Is there any meal better than brunch? Relaxing and unpretentious, it unites a lot of different food elements most of which even a culinary klutz like me can piece together.

Since Mother's Day is this weekend, I bet many of you (especially the guys) will be cracking a few eggs in honour of that special woman in your life.

When it comes to liquids, brunch is like the mid-day equivalent of a big holiday meal: You've got all kinds of different flavours trying to make nice on one plate.

Off-dry white wines, light, fruitier red wines, dry rosés and, of course, sparkling wines are all great fallback bottles.

My mom loves a champagne flute of Mimosa. If mixology isn't your thing, the 50/50 blend of orange juice and dry bubbly (pick an inexpensive Spanish Cava) is impossible to flub.

Does a Mimosa sounds too retro? Try a Kir Royale. Originating in the French Burgundian town of Dijon, it's made by adding a teaspoon of crème de cassis — the region's famous blackcurrant liqueur — to a glass of bubbles.

While a variety of cassis brands are carried across the country, Védrenne's Supercassis ($20.25) is a benchmark for the style. Some products may not be available in all provinces.

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Mother's Day brunch

Surprise mom with breakfast in bed this Sunday ◗ Pumpkin French Toast is easy for kids to make ◗ Or try this tasty family-friendly trifle

MAYA VISNYEI

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▶ Pumpkin French Toast and Raspberry-Lemon Trifle are easy for kids to make this Mother's Day.

Of course, the carefully handprinted (and adorably misspelled) card made by our children is the thing that every mother cherishes from Mother's Day. Flowers are thoughtful and so is brunch at a nice restaurant. But you know what we really want, don't you? That's right: sleep.

As unsexy as it sounds (although maybe if we weren't so tired we might want that a little more, too), sleep is the real and reliable way to a mother's heart. And while we're sleeping, why don't you and the kids make something nice?

Pumpkin French Toast

This Pumpkin French Toast is an elegant and nutritious twist on the classic. Pumpkin adds a nice sweetness, while at the same time boosting the nutritional value. It's easy enough for small kids to help with or older kids to run with on their own. Plus, tinned puréed pumpkin can be found in stores all year round.

Honestly, the predictable let's-go-out days like Valentine's Day or Mother's Day are better avoided. Restaurants are over-crowded and the service is harried. So much more relaxing to have a nice brunch at home. Or better yet, why not breakfast in bed? Because we'll be sleeping, remember?

Ingredients:

- 4 pieces of multigrain, spelt or another ancient grain bread
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) butter
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) pumpkin puree
- 4 eggs
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) 1% milk
- 1 tsp (5 ml) agave nectar
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) ground cinnamon
- Pinch ground nutmeg

Preparation:

1. Cut bread into four small squares; set aside.
2. In skillet melt 1 tbsp (15 mL) of the butter over medium heat.
3. In bowl, whisk together pumpkin puree, eggs, milk and agave. Whisk in cinnamon and nutmeg. Sink each piece of bread in the egg mixture, making sure to coat both sides well.
4. Add egg-soaked bread piece by piece into warm skillet. Cook for 3 minutes and then flip. Cook another 2 minutes or until golden. Add remaining butter to the pan and cook remaining pieces of bread. Stack and serve warm with agave. Makes 4 servings.

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Raspberry-Lemon Trifles

Give Mom the royal treatment this Mother's Day with these Brit-inspired trifles. Because face it, as nice as breakfast in bed is, dessert is better.

Traditionally made with liquor-soaked ladyfingers or sponge cake and layers of whipped cream, custard and fruit, we've taken liberties to create a more family-friendly version. Our individual trifles are made from angel food cake cubes and fresh berries layered with whipped cream and lemon curd.

Ingredients:

- Half of a store-bought angel food cake
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) heavy cream
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) powdered sugar
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) lemon curd
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) orange juice
- 500 ml (2 cups) fresh raspberries
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) granulated sugar
- Fresh mint sprigs for garnish

Preparation:

1. This recipe calls for half of a purchased angel food cake. The remaining half can be wrapped tightly in plastic wrap and frozen. Or serve it with scoops of ice cream and fresh berries. This trifle recipe can be prepared and refrigerated up to six hours ahead.
2. Using a wet serrated knife, cut angel food cake into 2-cm (3/4-inch) cubes. Set aside.
3. In a large bowl, use an electric mixer to beat cream and powdered sugar until soft peaks form.
4. In a small bowl, stir together lemon curd and orange juice.
5. In another small bowl, toss raspberries with granulated sugar. Slightly crush raspberries to release a bit of the juice.
6. To assemble the trifles, divide cake cubes, whipped cream, lemon curd and raspberries evenly, layering them (starting with the cake cubes on the bottom) in 6 large glass goblets. They can be refrigerated for up to 6 hours. Garnish with mint.

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Healthy lunches

Get ready for the summer season by cutting down on unwanted calories and making healthy lunch choices.

- Sandwiches: Say goodbye to bologna on white bread. Instead, dig into interesting breads and nutritious fixings.
- Salads: Choose dark, leafy greens like spinach, romaine lettuce or a mesclun mix.
- Pasta: Use noodles made from different whole grains like whole wheat, buckwheat or brown rice.
- Frozen entrées: Look for healthy options that are fat-conscious and offer at least one serving of vegetables.
- Soup: Make your own with low sodium broth. Pack in the fibre by adding lots of beans and veggies. **NEWS CANADA**

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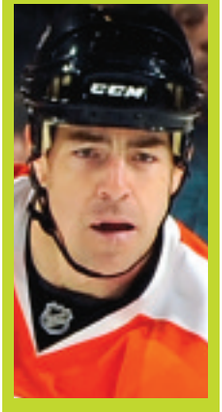

"We can't think about winning four in row. We can't think of any of that stuff. We just have to come and play the way we know we can and keep getting traffic and win a period, and hopefully win a game, and get to Game 5. And that's all we can do right now."

FLYERS DEFENCEMAN SEAN O'DONNELL. THE FLYERS TRAIL THE BOSTON BRUINS 0-3 IN THEIR PLAYOFF SERIES, THE SAME POSITION THEY FOUND THEMSELVES IN LAST YEAR WHEN THEY BECAME ONE OF THREE TEAMS IN NHL HISTORY TO WIN A PLAYOFF SERIES AFTER DROPPING THE FIRST THREE GAMES.

Sharks going for the sweep

San Jose players say they don't want Detroit to regain momentum

The storied history of the Detroit Red Wings does not happen to include coming back from a 0-3 deficit in the Stanley Cup playoffs.

Pavel Datsyuk is confident Detroit can do it, figuring out a way to beat the San Jose Sharks four straight times after losing three in a row by a goal each time.

"If we do not believe, we should just go home," Datsyuk said Thursday. "We believe 100 per cent."

Just three NHL teams have pulled off the feat.

The 2010 Philadelphia Flyers, 1942 Toronto Maple Leafs and 1975 New York Islanders are the only teams in league history to win a series after losing the first three games.

"We also have enough respect for our opponent to know that if there's a team that can do it, it would be Detroit," Sharks coach Todd McLellan said. "So, that should help us prepare. Our lesson that we were taught last year should help us. We know the storm is coming, we've experienced that, but we'd like to be part of that storm.

"We'd like to push back and be ready to play when the puck is dropped."

"We're taking the mental attitude that it's a must-win game."
SHARKS CAPTAIN JOE THORNTON

The Sharks will have their first chance to advance to the Western Conference finals — for the third time in the franchise's two decades — on Friday night in Detroit.

The Sharks seem to be beating the Red Wings mentally and physically, becoming the first team to have eight post-season wins in a row by a goal each time in league history.

McLellan hopes that doesn't make the Sharks cocky.

"I want to separate last year from this year, but I believed we learned a very valuable lesson in Game 4," he said.

The Sharks lost Game 4 to Detroit 7-1 on the road, then bounced back to eliminate the Red Wings with a 2-1 victory.

"We did not come back," Datsyuk said. "Now, we have another chance."

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▶ Devin Setoguchi is congratulated by Sharks teammate Ryane Clowe on Wednesday.

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MLB wants more info on Dodgers: Source

Major League Baseball wants more complete access to documents on the Los Angeles Dodgers' finances, a person familiar with the sport's investigation of the team told The Associated Press.

Former Texas Rangers president Tom Schieffer was appointed last month by Commissioner Bud Selig to monitor the team's finances, and he met with Selig and MLB executive vice-president Rob Manfred on Thursday in Milwaukee. The three decided to press ahead with MLB's probe of Dodgers finances dating to Frank McCourt's purchase of the club in 2004, the person said, speaking on condition of anonymity because no public statements were authorized.

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Sports in brief

Price has Jays' number

MLB. David Price allowed one unearned run while pitching into the ninth inning, Johnny Damon got his 2,600th hit and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Toronto Blue Jays 3-1.
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Salo rejoins Canucks on ice

NHL. Vancouver defenceman Sami Salo returned to the Canucks' lineup Thursday night against the Nashville Predators in Game 4 of the Western Conference semifinal. Salo sustained an undisclosed injury in Game 6 of the Canucks' opening series. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lakers' title hopes fade

After dropping first two games at home, defending champions face a must-win game against Dallas No team has ever come back from 0-3

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▶ Tyson Chandler of the Dallas Mavericks dunks the ball in front of Lamar Odom of the Los Angeles Lakers on Wednesday.

One big man is struggling, the other is spouting off about "trust issues." Their enforcer got carried away at the end of the last game and is suspended from the next one.

Their mental edge is gone, and so is their home-court advantage. They've even lost the approval of one of their greatest icons.

Asked how to get them to snap out of it, their Zen master coach suggested "flogging them." Then he laughed. Hey, Phil Jackson's retiring in a few days or weeks, so he might as well crack wise.

Such melodrama is vintage Hollywood, but usually for the make-believe folks. Or the Clippers. Certainly not the realm of Kobe Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers.

Yet early in their second-round series against the Dallas Mavericks, Bryant and the Lakers are in deep trouble, and they know it.

Los Angeles is down 0-2 going into Game 3 Friday night. While three teams in NBA history have won a seven-game series after losing the first two at home, no team has rallied from an 0-3 deficit. That makes the next game pivotal in the Lakers' quest for a third straight championship.

"Desperate, that's a strong word," Bryant said. "I think when you play desperate you don't play your best basketball. What we need to do is relax, focus on what we're doing wrong and the mistakes that we're making. We have plenty to review and lock in on."

Their problems start on defence. Dirk Nowitzki is having his way with the Lakers no matter whether they try covering him with someone big or small. That happens with all teams.

The surprise is that Los Angeles is struggling with everyone else, all the way down to speedy little backup point guard J.J. Barea.

Pau Gasol is playing so poorly on both ends of the court that he was booed in the second half of Game 2, at least until many fans left early or lost interest.

After the game, Andrew Bynum spiced things up by saying "all 13 of our guys have trust issues right now," further describing those problems as "deeply rooted."

Lakers great Magic Johnson says he is disgusted. On Wednesday night, he tweeted, "It's going to be a tough climb to come back and I think their chances are slim."

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SUSPENDED

Artest out for Game 3

Lakers forward Ron Artest has been suspended from Game 3 of Los Angeles' second-round series against the Dallas Mavericks on Friday night.

Artest was punished by the NBA for a forearm shot to the face of Mavericks guard J.J. Barea with 24 seconds left in Game 2 on Wednesday night.

Artest was ejected immediately, and the league said Thursday he also would be assessed a flagrant foul. An accumulation of flagrant foul points could lead to another suspension.

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▶ Atlanta's Josh Smith battles for a rebound against the Bulls.

Hawks' confidence growing against top-seeded Bulls

Larry Drew likes the look of these playoffs.

He's feeling pretty good about his own team, too.

There are upsets all around in the NBA post-season. Top-seeded San Antonio has already been eliminated. The defending champion Los Angeles Lakers are in trouble. And Drew, the rookie coach of the Atlanta Hawks, sees no reason why his own team can't go farther than anyone would've expected.

"This thing is wide open," he said Thursday.

The Hawks have already knocked out Dwight Howard and Orlando, a team that swept Atlanta from the playoffs in lopsided fashion a year ago. They're trying to follow a similar script in the Eastern Conference semifinals, having stolen a victory in Game 1 against the Chicago Bulls, a 62-win juggernaut during the regular season.

Even coming off a series-tying loss, the Hawks are exuding confidence as they return home for the next two contests. Game 3 is Friday, which shapes up as the most significant night in 14 years for a franchise that has largely been an NBA wasteland.

"Whatever doubt might have been seeping into our guys' heads, that doubt was erased after Game 1. Even though we lost Game 2, there wasn't a knockout blow."

ATLANTA COACH LARRY DREW

"We feel good about where we're at," said Jamal Crawford, the Hawks' super sub. "We feel like we took their best punch."

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Former NHLer Stapleton new coach of Greyhounds

The view will be the same but the job title will be a little bit different.

The OHL's Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds announced Thursday that Mike Stapleton is the team's new head coach. Stapleton rejoins the franchise after spending two seasons as an assistant coach with the team from 2008 to 2010.

He was an assistant coach with the AHL's Syracuse Crunch this season.

"I've been saying for the last couple of days that I'm having a hard time wrapping my head around coming back," said Stapleton, who celebrated his 45th birthday on Thursday.

Stapleton takes over the coaching duties from former GM Dave Torrie, who held the job on an interim basis following the firing of Denny Lambert in January and was relieved of his duties at the end of the regular season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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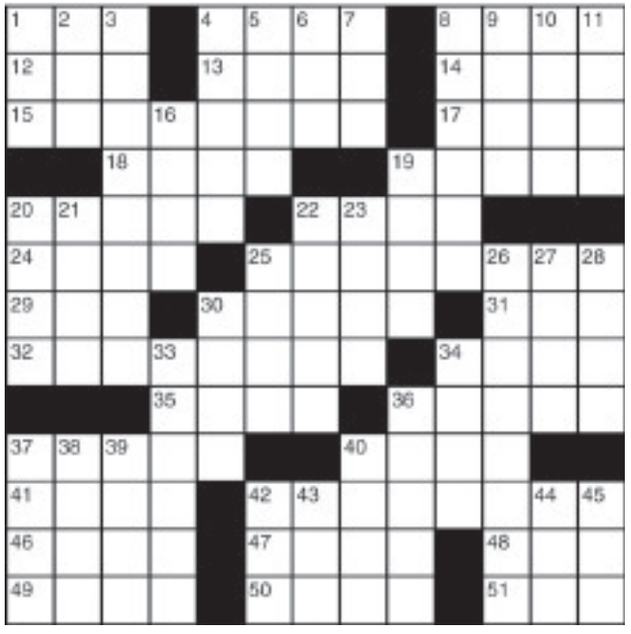

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▶ Yesterday's answer

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Yesterday's answer ▶

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♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Nothing in life ever comes for free. Bear that thought in mind today you won't go far wrong.
♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Steer clear of power struggles and office politics today.
♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If someone gives you a hard time today it is most likely because they want to provoke you.
♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You may wonder if you really deserve all the good things that are coming your way. Of course you do: you earn everything you get in life.
♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Stay calm, be positive and act as if you have already won.
♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Don't compare yourself to other people
♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Don't keep your suspicions to yourself: if facts and figures don't add up find out why.
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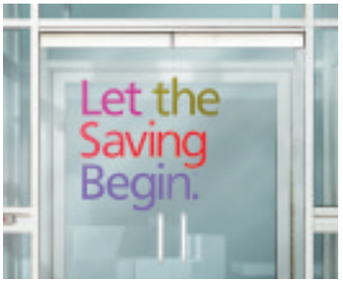

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